

Social and Personal

The engagement is announced of Miss Fanny D. Mitterdorfer and Mr. Eugene Constine. Miss Mitterdorfer is the very pretty and attractive daughter of Mr. David Mitterdorfer, of No. 20 East Grace Street. Ever since her debut Miss Mitterdorfer has been a great social favorite and has by her gracious manner endeared herself to a host of friends. Mr. Constine was until recently manager of the basement floor of Julius Meyer's, but is at present engaged in business in Norfolk.

At the residence of Mrs. George W. Stevens, "Open Day" was observed last evening by the Ladies' Matinee Musical, and the members and their guests enjoyed a delightful programme. Miss Mamie Harrison's beautiful voice was never heard to better advantage; Miss Roberta Z. Allen played with great expression on the violin, and Miss Belle Johnston was the pianist of the evening. Refreshments were served after the music.

Miss Ruth Tanner entertained a few friends at cards yesterday afternoon at her home on South Third Street, in compliment to her guests, Miss Road, of Augusta, Ga., and Miss Doggett, of Fredericksburg.

Miss Rebekah Bell has returned to this city after a ten months' stay abroad. Miss Bell spent most of her time in Paris and Seville with her cousin, Mrs. Bull, the wife of an eminent specialist.

Mrs. Sarah Little Currie, of No. 2009 East Grace Street, celebrated on yesterday her eighty-sixth birthday. Mrs. Currie is widely known and highly esteemed and yesterday she was the recipient of many flowers and other tokens of esteem and love from her numerous friends. A large number of visitors called during the day to verbally extend their good wishes.

Mrs. Joseph Willard will have as her guest at a charming house party, in Washington, next week, Miss Gertrude Camm, Miss Anne Tennant and Mr. William Ferguson, of this city, and Mr. Gardner Booth, of Alexandria.

Miss Lila Shepherd, of No. 2051 East Leigh Street, was tendered a surprise party Wednesday night by her friends. A large crowd called during the evening, and games and dancing were indulged in till a late hour. Those present were Misses Mary Spencer, Eva Callis, Mary Toler, Lena Gregory, Minnie Wilburn, Grace Van Pelt, Sadie Mallory, Messrs. Judson Gilliam, Jeter Hughes, Louis Seay, Harvie Elliott, Roger Callis, L. Rogers, J. S. H. Shelton, Robert Rogers, A. Whitmore, Williams, Chapin, and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Shepherd and Mrs. L. K. Shepherd.

Mrs. Harriet S. Southern and Mr. Robert A. Fisher will be married at 8 o'clock this morning at the residence of the bride's father, No. 317 North Twenty-seventh Street. Rev. Robert A. Goodwin will officiate.

Mrs. Charles E. Pugh, of Clifton Forge, is visiting her brother, Captain Bailey.

Miss Mamie Waddy, of Lynchburg, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. W. Massie, of Church Hill.

Miss Mary Watts Woods is the guest of Mrs. Nannie D. Werth, No. 202 West Grace Street. She will not return to Charlottesville until the latter part of next week. Miss Louise Fontaine Dabney is also a guest of Mrs. Werth.

Miss Sadie Bruce, of Charlottesville, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. H. Bennett, of Church Hill.

Miss Mary Shelling, of Twenty-seventh and Broad Streets, leaves tomorrow to visit friends in Washington. She will accompany Captain and Mrs. Kline.

Miss Mary Garnett, of Williamsburg, is visiting friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Fuller, of Boston, are at the Jefferson.

Rev. Frank Kerfoot, of Richmond College, is visiting his home, in Clarke county.

Miss Eda Atkins has returned from a two-weeks' visit to Wilmington, N. C.

Mrs. L. Z. Morris left Thursday night for New York.

Miss Ethel Lipscomb, who has been visiting Mrs. A. J. Montague, has returned to her home, in Danville.

Miss May Hyde, who has been spending a month with friends in Roanoke, has returned to her home, on West Main Street.

Miss Bessie Mann, of No. 2008 East Grace Street, will attend the inauguration. She leaves for Washington to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas H. Thomas left Baltimore Thursday for Florida in the private car of President John Skelton Williams, of the Seaboard Air Line Railway. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas H. Thomas, Jr., will join them later.

The Richmond Baseball Club will meet to make final arrangements for the opening of the season here, in the office of Captain Frank W. Cunningham, at the City Hall, Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

It Will Give Trouble.
A Federal official said yesterday: "The new tax on manufactured tobacco is going to give the internal-revenue people much trouble. The bill agreed upon reduces the tax from 25 cents to 9 1/2-100 cents per pound. This is the first time there has been a fractional tax. Why it was not made 10 cents or 9 cents I cannot conceive."

Will Remain Here.
Captain Henry T. Owen, who was on Thursday relieved from duty as a clerk in the office of Second Auditor John G. Dew, to make room for Mr. Frank T. Hill, of Scottsville, said he expected to continue his residence in this city, having removed his family here in December last.

Head Bruised.
Frank Austin (colored) was bruised on the head at Eighth and Broad Streets about 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, by the falling of several bricks from the building being torn down for Murphy's annex. Dr. Fisher attended him.

Cut His Brother.
J. B. James, a colored shoemaker, was badly bruised and cut across the back with a shoe knife by his brother, at his shop, on North Second Street, yesterday morning at 8:50 o'clock. Dr. Fisher fixed him up.

Sale of Street-Car Mules.
The Passenger and Power Company has sold most of the horses and mules formerly used on the line from Ninth Street to Holliday. Some of the street car companies in small cities are negotiating for the purchase of the mule cars.

"CORRECT DRESS FOR MEN AND BOYS."

1/3 Off the Suits.
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1/3 Off the Trousers.

Take out the novelties, and nine styles out of ten of the remainder of our stock will be prime favorites next season.

Men's fashions change too gradually to make a noticeable difference between the styles of one season and its predecessor. So you're safe in doing some of next Winter's shopping now. The saving is enormous. One-third off the marked price is the reward we are paying for anticipating your needs.

Choose from the Men's and Youths' Suits, Overcoats and Separate Trousers, and all of the Children's Suits, Overcoats and Reefers. Among them you will find some that are the proper weight for Spring wear.

SALE ENDS TO-NIGHT.

Cans-Rady Company.

Entire Building—1005 E. Main Street—Opposite Postoffice

FULTON SCHOOL TO BE COMPLETED

Great Interest in the Appointment of a Teacher of Music in the Schools.

The City School Board is much pleased to be able to complete the Nicholson Street school building. The present structure only permits of an eight-room school and the children who desire to take the higher grammar grades have to take a long trip to other schools. When completed there will be provision for a full fourteen-room school, and also for an assembly hall. The work will commence promptly on June 15th, as soon as the school vacation begins, and the board hopes to have the completed building ready for occupancy on the beginning of the next session, on September 15th. The plans for the entire building are now in the City Engineer's office.

The completion of the Nicholson building will necessitate five additional teachers, for which provision was made in the budget. These teachers will not be elected for some time yet.

Those interested in the schools are much pleased with the arrangements made for securing the entire time of a music teacher, Mr. Mercer, who has so successfully done work of this character in the schools, will be secured, and it is thought the chorus instruction in enunciation of the elements of harmony, as well as in chorus singing, will be a relief from the routine of school duties, and will educate a taste for music and a sense of the beautiful in the children in a high degree.

MRS. CURRIE'S BIRTHDAY.

She Celebrates the Eighty-Sixth Year of Her Age.

Mrs. Sarah Little Currie, of No. 2009 East Grace Street, celebrated yesterday the eighty-sixth anniversary of her birth. Mrs. Currie has lived in Richmond since 1850, when she came to America from Dumfrieshire, Scotland, her birthplace. She is the widow of Mr. Robert Currie, who was at one time a leading merchant of Richmond, and resided with her son, Mr. George Currie, who has succeeded his father in business. Mrs. Currie is a member of St. John's Church, and is widely known and genuinely loved by the members of that congregation.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citizens and Other Matters.

The Deep Run household will meet this afternoon at Rio Vista at 4 o'clock.

Miss Jennie T. Ryan left at noon yesterday for a visit to Washington.

Fairfield Lodge, Royal Tribe of Joseph, initiated four new members at its last meeting.

Dr. Clarence Porter Jones has returned from Lunenburg county, where he has been for two weeks.

Mrs. M. Wakefield has been called to Portsmouth to her son's wife who is dangerously ill with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Robert Pegram Buford, of Brunswick, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. Witherschild, No. 2 North First Street.

Mrs. Robert Robertson, who has had three delicate operations performed on her at St. Luke's Hospital, is improving.

Dr. M. B. Carter, who has been seriously ill for six or seven weeks at his residence, No. 516 North Third Street, is improving.

Miss Edith Hayward, of No. 1412 North Twenty-first Street, Fairmount, who is confined to her room with a gripe, is slightly improved.

Mr. J. N. Jones will leave Monday for Virginia Springs, where he hopes to be benefited in health. Mr. Jones has not been well for some time.

Mrs. R. Hampton, the widow of J. J. Hampton, is suffering from a severe attack of the gripe at her home, No. 322 North Twenty-fifth Street.

The degree team from Damon Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will visit Petersburg tonight, and enter the ranks on about twelve candidates.

Miss Ragland will sing for the offertory Sunday night Faure's Sancta Maria, by request. This is considered by many to be her most attractive solo.

The receipts of the Richmond Internal Revenue Office for twenty-five days in February aggregated \$71,638.15. This shows a healthy condition of business.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy V. Cardozo, accompanied by their sister, Miss Gertrude Phillips, will attend the inauguration and remain in Washington for several weeks.

Rev. C. H. Crawford, State secretary of the Anti-Saloon League, will preach at Howard's Grove Church, Sunday morning, and present the features of that work.

Mrs. J. E. Jones, who lives at No. 3003 East Main Street, is the recipient of a handsome gold watch and chain, which she won by solving a puzzle in a New York newspaper.

The hotel people are expecting many arrivals.

CITY HALL NEWS.

Average Number of Marriage Licenses Issued in February.

The total number of marriage licenses issued in Richmond in February was fifty-eight, thirty-four of which were white couples. This is the average, but it is probable that the number in March will not be so large, for there are few Fridays in this month, and few licenses are issued on that day.

Judge Welford, in the City Circuit Court, has granted a charter to the "Smokely Furnace and Heating Company" for the purpose of manufacturing machinery of any kind, with the capital stock of \$20,000 to \$300,000.

The case of the National Bank of Virginia vs. L. P. Kuhns for \$1,025.50 was on trial in the Circuit Court yesterday and went to the jury. They could not agree after a deliberation of more than two hours and were adjourned until to-day.

The jury in the Law and Equity Court were called yesterday morning and adjourned over to Monday.

In the Law and Equity Court judgment was rendered in the suit of Simon Solomon vs. C. T. Boykin for \$7.12.

A bill of divorce was filed in the Law and Equity Court yesterday by Lou James against George Wm. James.

Mrs. Josephine F. McDowell qualified as administratrix of Wm. J. McDowell, deceased, in the Chancery Court yesterday.

Allen G. Collins qualified as administrator of Mrs. Augusta Weinstein.

A movement is being started to have a city ordinance adopted in reference to the sale of cigarettes to children in the streets. Harry Glenn will be the patron. There is already a State law against such sale, which, however, is being disregarded.

JEFFERSON'S SPECTACLES.

A Pair Worn by the Great Statesman Exhibited Here.

Mr. A. G. Pretlow, of Powhatan county, interested a number of his friends in this city yesterday with a peculiar pair of spectacles, worn for many years by Thomas Jefferson.

The lenses are of the exact size of a dime. They are set in very substantial frames of solid silver, made by McAllister & Co., of Philadelphia, a firm still in existence for some time ago Mr. Pretlow wrote to know if the lenses were really made for Jefferson, and received in reply a letter from the house stating that on a certain date of about a century ago a pair of spectacles were made by the house for Mr. Thomas Jefferson, of Charlottesville, Va., and describing the glasses.

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Indeed, Mr. Pretlow inherited the glasses and is a direct descendant of the great statesman. The spectacles came down through Colonel Alexander Garrett, who married a niece of Thomas Jefferson. Colonel Garrett's wife was the daughter of this union. Colonel Garrett was for long years the clerk of the Albemarle County Court.

The unusually small size of the glasses is said to be due to the absentmindedness of Mr. Jefferson. He frequently took off his glasses and laid them down when in interested conversation. Then he would get up and go away, forgetting that he had not his spectacles. So he had made a pair with very small lenses, so that by shoving them down on a short way his nose he could see over them, and talk without inconvenience.

THEY DID NOT CONFER.

President Fisher Did Not See the Manufacturers.

The conference that was expected to be held between President Fisher, of the National Tobacco Workers' Union, and certain manufacturers yesterday, did not take place.

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JOBGING TRADE GAINED VOLUME

Material Advance in Iron and Steel Products Inevitable.

GRAIN MARKETS REMAIN FIRM.

There is an increase in the Sale of Wool Foreign Buying of Raw Cotton Is Far from Satisfactory—Failures Show Falling Off.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 1.—R. G. Dun & Company's Weekly Review of Trade to-morrow will say:

Jobbing trade in groceries, hardware, and iron specialties has further gained in volume in the East since our last report, and retail business has been good, except for a slow movement of some descriptions of dry goods, notably clothing, of which dealers fear they must carry over unusually large stocks. In the West and Southwest, however, the season has been satisfactory. The greatest industrial combination ever arranged, that providing for the union of the leading steel interests, has not directly affected business as yet, and may not do so, otherwise than by removing some of the unnecessary competition from the industry.

IRON AND STEEL.

Nominal quotations of iron and steel are misleading. According to published lists, it appears that while pig-iron has steadily advanced for many weeks, little change has occurred in finished products. This discrepancy is due to the figures fixed by the various pools and associations, but at which it is impossible to secure prompt deliveries. Actual business is done at extensive advances over these prices, billets selling at \$21 at Pittsburgh, or more than a dollar above the nominal rate, while plates, bars, and structural shapes are only available when special terms are offered. Even on distant deliveries mills are asking higher figures, and every line of steel production at Pittsburgh has already covered full contracts for the next two months, while there is a general feeling that the market will occur before May 1st. Bessemer pig-iron sold this week at \$15.35, and Gray Forge at \$19; prices that have not been equalled since early in August. Coke production is enormous, and Connellsville prices at last show a definite advance.

WOOL SALES.

Further increase appears in sales of wool to the extent that Eastern markets are showing a steady advance. The week's gain against changing hands for the week amounts to \$28,500 in the previous week. There is still no reason to believe that the heavy buying results from better conditions at the mills, as orders for goods do not appear to be expanding, except in a few special lines. If manufacturers were bidding for raw material largely, the decline in prices would be checked, but the average on March 1st, was the lowest since June, 1899. Shipments of boots and shoes from Boston were \$79,000, against \$8,575 the week preceding, and 100,875 a year ago. Most visiting buyers have concluded sampling and returned home. Shops have ample work for some time to come, and prices are well maintained. Large stocks of hides depress prices in Chicago, taking the average to the lowest point since last October.

COTTON SITUATION.

Curtailed production in Southern yarn mills has become general, and at Fall River there is much discussion of the advisability of reducing output, or lowering wages. Loss in domestic consumption of raw cotton seems assured and foreign buying is far from satisfactory. The position of this staple is not made firmer by news that sales of fertilizers surpass all records in many Southern States.

Grain markets are firmly maintained. Domestic crop conditions are encouraging and the best explanation of strength is found in Atlantic exports during February of wheat, flour included, amounting to 10,248,394 bushels, against 7,671,532 last year, and 14,700,392 bushels of corn against 12,724,615 in 1899.

FAILURES.

Commercial failures in February were 1,024 in number and \$1,287,211 in amount compared with 1,242 in January, with liabilities of \$1,239,831.

It is worthy of note that nearly a third of the liabilities in manufacturing failures were due to a single bankruptcy of a railway contractor, while not one of the 777 trading defaulters owed as much as \$100.

THE CHESTER MYSTERY.

Another Blood-Covered Man Seen in the Woods—A Pleasing Entertainment.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
CHESTER, Va., March 1.—Since yesterday's communication as to the wounded man found in the school-house, your correspondent learns that two men, hauling logs for the saw mill near this place, saw in the woods on Monday south of this place, a man who had a cut on the forehead and blood on his clothes, who got rosin from a pine and smeared over the blood on his clothes. It is true that a neighbor saw the man's tracks in the snow Sunday morning, going out from the school site, but not knowing of any trouble at the time, paid no attention to them. These tracks were going in the direction of the place where the mill people saw the man. The direction was south from this place, nearby and parallel with the Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

The entertainment given last night by Mr. H. D. Eichelberger, of this place, to the "Reading-Room Club," was quite a success and much enjoyed. After the "gramophone" entertainment, ice cream and cake were served, and Mr. and Mrs. Eichelberger left with "blessings on their heads."

HOTEL ERIN BURNED.

A Prisoner Found Secreted in a Hollow Tree.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
BRISTOL, TENN., March 1.—Hotel Erin, at Dunganon, Scott county, Va.,

THROUGH PARLOR CAR TO ATLANTIC CITY VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

Commencing Friday, March 8th, through Pullman buffet parlor cars will be operated between Washington and Atlantic City, leaving Washington 12:45 P. M., daily except Sunday, and arriving Atlantic City 5:25 P. M. Returning, commencing March 9th, leave Atlantic City 10:35 A. M. week days, arriving Washington 3:40 P. M.

VIOLETS! VIOLETS!

Finest long-stemmed Violets, picked fresh twice a day, \$1 per hundred. Best Beauties. MANN & BROWN, No. 5 West Broad Street.

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For acceptable ideas. State if patented. THE PATENT RECORD, Baltimore, Md.

Women Can Choose Health

No suffering woman could receive more welcome news than this earnest message from Mrs. Eston. It shows YOU the way to health. What greater proof of what Wine of Cardui will do, need be given? Who is to blame if you do not ask your druggist for Wine of Cardui to-day and secure the same glad relief? Will you not choose to be well? Why continue to suffer another day?

Guthrie, Okla. Ter., April 23, 1900.

I feel as if it were my duty to write a few words about my case. I have been afflicted with female trouble for seven years: I had falling and inflammation of the womb - and enlargement of the ovaries; was past walking for a year and had tried the best doctors only to receive momentary relief. Part of the time I could not bear for my feet to be one inch lower than my body. I had to be picked up and carried like a baby. The doctors could do no more, so they advised me to go home to Texas. I thought the change of climate might do me good. For a few days I was a little better and by my relatives dressing me and setting me in a chair with my feet and head propped up I could sit up a little. I soon got worse and had another doctor called in, and took bushels of medicine, but if I ever was benefited I could not detect it by my feelings. I thought I had heart trouble, too. When I would lie still a short time my heart would apparently stop its beating and then they would have to rub me and administer today? I was being urged all this time by a relative to try Wine of Cardui, but I had tried so many things I thought all hopes were gone and it was not worth while to try the Wine. I was like many other suffering ladies who do not have any confidence in patent medicines, but at last, after I had been afflicted so long, I decided to try

WINE OF CARDUI

I hadn't taken all of one bottle when I felt some of my many pains leaving me. I felt so encouraged I had my husband order six bottles and by the time I had taken them I could do all my household work and washing with a little help. I gradually got better and during the past year I have been better than I have been for seven years. I have walked one and a half miles to church, sometimes twice a day, and cooked my dinner. I am still using Wine of Cardui whenever I feel bad. It is the medicine for me. I want all suffering women to use this good medicine.

Mrs. J. E. ESTON.

All druggists sell \$1.00 bottles of this great medicine. Take no substitute. It was Wine of Cardui which cured Mrs. Eston.

In cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.



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FREDERICKSBURG MILITARY.

Captain Rowe's Crack Company to Attend the Inauguration.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., March 1.—The Fredericksburg Military Company, L. Seventeenth Va. Regiment, Captain M. B. Rowe commanding, will leave here Sunday for Washington to participate in the inaugural parade on Monday. During the stay in Washington, the company will be quartered at the Macabees' building. A large crowd from here will attend the inauguration. Of the seven aids appointed from this city on the staff of Marshal Warner, of the Civil Grand Division, Mr. John M. Griffin will probably be the only one to take part in the parade, the others being prevented by business engagements.

The Taylor District Republican Club, of Orange county, has been assigned to a position in the parade and will leave for Washington on Sunday.

The Orange Telephone Company, though it declared a dividend of only six per cent. for the past year, made profits amounting to fourteen per cent., the balance being held in the treasury for a reserve fund.

The mid-winter social by the music pupils of Fredericksburg College, which took place in the hall of that institution to-night, was one of the most successful events of the kind in the history of the college.

Mr. Norman Berry and Miss Rebecca Berry, both of Stafford, were married yesterday in that county. Rev. Decatur Edwards, of this city, officiating.

A LUMBER TRUST.

Governor Smith's Visit to Norfolk Probably in Interest of It.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

NORFOLK, Va., March 1.—Governor Smith of Maryland, was here to-day in conference with lumbermen. It is believed to be true that the organization of a lumber trust, in which the mills of Virginia, Maryland, North and South Carolina should be merged, is well under way, and that the lumbermen and promoters' dream is about to come true.

Trains and steamers leaving here to-night carried great crowds of civilians to Washington. Such an exodus from Norfolk, save in time of panic, was never seen before.

New Mill in Hanover.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

ELLERSON, Va., March 1.—Messrs. I. Davenport & Son have started their saw mill at this place.

Many farmers have filled their ice-houses with ice ranging from one and a half to three inches in thickness, while some have been unable to secure any ice at all.

The weather here is very dry, which is working great injury to crops.

Wheat and oats are looking badly, and cabbage are much injured, as there has been no snow to protect them during the winter.

The Dixie Ground.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 1.—The U. S. training ship Dixie, while on her way to Washington to participate in the naval part of the inaugural programme, ran aground off Maryland Point, fifteen miles below here.

The distressed no serious injuries. The efforts of three tugs to-night to drag her off were unsuccessful.

The Porto Ricans Arrive.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

NEWPORT NEWS, March 1.—The transport Rawlins arrived to-night from Porto Rico, having aboard three hundred native Porto Rican troops, who will go to Washington on special Chesapeake and Ohio train in the morning to take part in the inaugural parade.

Thereafter they will proceed to New York and take the Rawlins for home.

Pneumonia in Hanover.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)